



In re Application of:

Examiner: Qureshi, Afsar M.

Art Group: 2667

### For: Switch-Based Network Processor

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In response to the Final Office Action mailed on January 10, 2006, which was made final, applicants submit this Preliminary Amendment and Response for consideration.

I hereby certify that I am causing the above-referenced correspondence to be facsimile transmitted and to be deposited with the United States Postal Service as first class mail with sufficient postage on the date indicated below and that this paper or fee has been addressed to the Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

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